

Youth Initiative Program

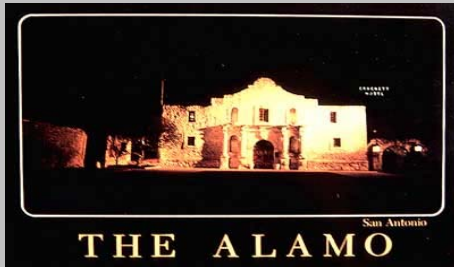
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Network Providers

MEETING REMINDER

The Youth Initiative Program will hold its next networking meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 16, 2004, at the Alamo Conference Center.



The Alamo is located at 820 North Raynor, El Paso, Tx. Please make plans to attend. For information call (915) 298-9604.



Aaron McCoy, 11, has started a campaign to raise money to outfit El Paso Police Department canines, like Alan, with bulletproof vests. Alan's partner is Officer Martin Moncada.

Photo by Victor Calzada / El Paso Times



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U.S. Army Pvt. Corin Kelly, left, and other Fort Bliss soldiers from Operation Santa Claus unloaded bicycles at the Boys & Girls Clubs in South El Paso. The bikes and more than 60,000 other toys will be distributed to children.

YIP Guest Speakers

The agenda will include a presentation by Univision Radio to Dame La Mano of coats for the children who reside there. Radio Personality Leo Lugo from Radio KAMA and Que-Buena KBNA will make the presentation.

The guest speakers from El Paso Community College: Nita Corral-Nava, J.D. Director; Mike Fernandez, Recruitment & School Relations, and Dianna Williams, Counselor will provide information on the Dual Credit Program.

A special presentation: a floor model of the U.S. flag will be presented by Woodmen of the World President, Clark Peters, to the Youth Initiative Program.

EXTRA! EXTRA! Read all about it! Code Blue

Esther Mata and Araceli Salcedo have started working at Crimes Against Children as of December 14, 2004. They will head the new Safe Schools Grant for CAC. They will be working with the various independent school districts on the Code Blue procedures. Welcome back!



El Paso Fire Academy – December 2004.

Forty-two Ysleta High School students under the direction of Mrs. Yolanda Cano have recently completed CERT training. These young rescuers were able to perform basic fire suppression, light search and rescue operations, evacuation drills, and life saving techniques during simulated disasters at the fire academy. The instructors for the two day course were Lt. Ray Gilliespie, Lt. Ray Resendez from Office of Emergency Management, Herb Gering, and Officer Alberto Chavez of the El Paso Police Department YIP.

The rescuers received their individual canvas bags that carried a flashlight, a hard hat, orange reflective vest, first aid bandages, tape, pens and pencils, paper, and other items needed during emergencies.

El Paso Police To Hold Sessions To Educate The Public On Issues Related To Domestic Violence

Date/Time: 12/14/04 @ 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

Location: 9600 Dyer (Northeast Regional Command Center)

El Paso, Texas – The El Paso Police Department's Elderly and Domestic Abuse Prevention Unit in conjunction with the Victims Service Response Team (VSRT) will be offering educational sessions during the month of December. The educational sessions will cover topics of Domestic Violence, Protective Orders, The Center Against Family Violence, and Adult Probation Victim Services. The first educational session will be held Tuesday, December 14, 2004 from 6-8 P.M. at the Northeast Regional Command Center located at 9600 Dyer. For more information contact the Elderly and Domestic Abuse Prevention Unit at **(915) 564-7045 or 564-7365**. The community is encouraged to attend, and there is no cost for this training. Additional sessions are scheduled at the following:

Thursday, 12/16/04 from 6 – 8 P.M. Pebble Hills Regional Command Center, 10780 Pebble Hills

Friday, 12/17/04 from 6-8 P.M. at El Paso Police Headquarter, 911 N. Raynor

Monday, 12/20/04 from 6 – 8 P.M. at Westside Regional Command Center, 4801 Osborne.

Wednesday, 12/22/04 from 6 – 8 P.M. at Mission Valley Regional Command, 9011 Escobar. Contact: Det. Darrel Petry, PIO @ PetryD@ci.el-paso.tx.us 915.564.7322 or 915.564.6950 Pager #6101.



American Legion Law Enforcement Post #74 Requests

that we remember our active duty Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines who are away from their loved ones during this holiday season. Please support the families who are left behind with small donations, a comforting word, running small errands for the families, or by just keeping their loved ones in your prayers. Soldiers love to receive letters from home, why don't you write one?

Holiday Blood Drive

The El Paso Police Department will be hosting another Blood Drive for United Blood Services.

Date: Friday, December 17, 2004; Time: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Location: HQ, Chief's large conference room

Please take time to come by and donate. We have the opportunity to surpass the tremendous success at the last blood drive.



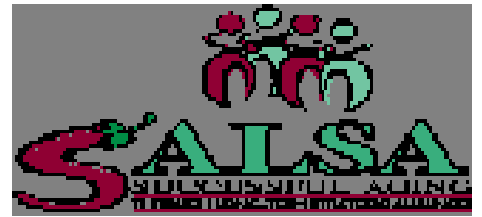
*Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year!*



RSVP Christmas Tree

The [RSVP \(Retired Senior Volunteer Program\)](#) Christmas tree has been set up on the first floor of City Hall. This year the tree has 180 gift tags -- more than ever before. These gifts will be for the homeless children, children with disabilities, and frail elders in our community. Please consider picking up a gift tag and getting a present for someone who may not have much of a holiday season. Gifts are due back by December 17th. RSVP wishes Happy Holidays to all.

RSVP is a national program. Its purpose is to provide enrichment for older adults through significant community service. The program was first introduced to El Paso in 1974. Since then the program has grown to almost 2,000 volunteers, making it one of the largest programs in the country. El Paso RSVP volunteers serve in 137 non-profit organizations and agencies in the City and County of El Paso.



Blanket Donations For Senior Citizens, Tuesday, December 7, 6th Floor Conference Room, 1100 N. Stanton.

SALSA of Rio Grande Area Agency on Aging and the El Paso Extreme Weather Task Force are coordinating a blanket donation drive for senior citizens ages 60 years and above. We recognize that senior citizens are not using their heaters due to monetary constraints, so blanket donations are requested to help senior citizens endure the upcoming cold, hard winter months. The public at any of El Paso's Fire stations may drop off donated blankets. Senior citizens may pick up their blanket from Area Agency on Aging located on the 8th Floor. Please call SALSA at 533-0998 to request your blanket. Contact: Zulema Lazarin

Area Agency on Aging.
SALSA Program, 533-0990.

El Paso Zoological Society Members attend Holiday Lights FREE each evening as a benefit of membership.

**December 17 through 23
December 26 through 30:** Over

150,000 spectacular lights, musical entertainment, holiday foods & beverages, Santa's Workshop and a 25% discount in the Elephant's Trunk Gift Shop each evening during Holiday Lights at the El Paso Zoo. **Memberships make great gifts, and they last for one full year.** \$4 for adults & \$2 for children 3 through 12 or bring an empty Coca Cola can Musical entertainment includes: KIDS-N-CO, Ballet Folklorico Quetzales, Hornedo Middle School Orchestra, New Generation Dancers, Valle del Sol Folklorico, Indian Ridge Middle School Orchestra and Pebble Hills Elementary School Orchestra.



Have you ever had an accident, but did not report it until the next day? The El Paso Police Department will not be able to investigate the accident, since the vehicles have been moved, or evidence at the scene has been removed, or witnesses will not be able to be interviewed. In cases such as these, the EPPD request that the vehicle owner fill out a "Blue Form". This ST-2 form can be downloaded from any computer. The department has the ST-2 traffic accident "Blue Form" form on our website in downloadable format. You may visit this site (<http://www.elpasotexas.gov/police/form.s.asp>) to download and complete the form when appropriate.

FRANKLIN MOUNTAIN ROTARY CLUB TO PRESENT OFFICER JAIME ESPARZA WITH "SERVICE ABOVE SELF" AWARD

The Franklin Mountain Rotary Club will present Officer Jaime Esparza with the "Service Above Self" award on Thursday evening. This award is presented to individuals who display exemplary service to the community. Chief Richard Wiles will be the featured speaker at this meeting. Officer Esparza was an (11) eleven month veteran of the El Paso Police Department on August 9, 2004 when he observed a collision on I-10 west at Mile Marker 13:6. The 3:24 A.M. collision involved a Motor Home and a compact car. A local news crew captured Officer Esparza on tape as he was able to assist the nine occupants escape the fire-engulfed Motor Home. All were transported to area hospitals where they were treated and released. The operator of the compact car, a 19 year old Westside man died in this collision.



Twelve Days of Christmas

The City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department will be having its Annual Twelve Days of Christmas at San Jacinto Plaza (Downtown). There will be Christmas Music entertainment from December 8th to December 23rd from 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. Entertainment will be from Monday to Friday only! Free admission. For more information contact Mr. Eliseo Duran at 533-3311.



2004 entertainment schedule:

Wednesday Dec. 8th Kids-n-Company.

Thursday Dec. 9th St. Clements Music Cats

Friday Dec. 10th Santo Tomas Church Choir

Monday Dec. 13th Rick III

Tuesday Dec. 14th Riverside High School Guitars

Wednesday Dec. 15th Riverside High School Rangers Star Choir

Thursday Dec. 16th Posada Night Central Business Association

Friday Dec. 17th Stephanie Dewitt

Monday Dec. 20th Primera Iglesia Bautista Mexicana

Tuesday Dec. 21st Sun City Youth Opera

Wednesday Dec. 22nd Victor Rey

Thursday Dec. 23rd El Paso Mystery Troupe

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BABY SAFETY TIPS



EL PASO, TEXAS – As we continue through the holidays many El Pasoans will have visits from family, friends and relatives and that may include visits with infants and small children. The El Paso Police Department would like to offer these safety precautions when dealing with infant children all year round.

Helpful Tips

- Never leave infants and small children unattended.
- A baby should never be allowed to lie or sleep face down on (or next to) pillows, cushions, adult comforters or adult waterbeds.
- Plastic wrap, plastic dry cleaning bags, shopping and garbage bags should be kept away from babies to avoid suffocation.
- Adults should avoid falling asleep next to infants to prevent possible suffocation.
- When bathing a child always stay within arm's length. Do not take your eyes off the child.
- Always check the temperature of bath water before placing child in.
- When cooking, use back burners and turn pot handles inward.
- Keep drapery, blind, electrical, and telephone cords out of reach.
- Keep small objects, cleaning supplies and prescription medications out of reach of infants and small children.
- Shaken Baby Syndrome most often occurs when parents or caregivers become angry or frustration with a child because of the crying.
- Check to see if baby is hungry, wet or uncomfortable
- Try hugging, rocking, or carrying the child gently

In case of an emergency call 911.

Multi-Agency Referral System (MARS) School Schedule, 2004-2005

EL PASO ISD

Andress High Library Conference Room	Mon. @ 1:30 p.m.	8/30, 10/4, 11/1, 12/6 1/10, 2/7, 3/7, 4/4, 5/2	Deborah Lunow	832-8600/ 757-6443
Austin High Cafeteria Lounge	Tue. @ 9:00 a.m.	9/14, 10/12, 11/9, 12/14 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10	Robert Teran	587-2506/566-7360
Bowie High Library	Fri. @ 10:00 a.m.	8/27, 9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/10 1/16, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13	Linda Romero	496-8200/532-1918
Burges High Conference	Wed. @ 10 a.m.	9/15, 10/20, 11/17, 12/15 1/19, 2/15, 3/16, 4/20, 5/18	Rachel Olguin	780-1100/771-6914
Chapin High Library Rm 151	Mon. @ 8:45 a.m.	9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13 1/10, 2/14, 3/14, 4/11, 5/9	Barbara Augustine	832-6730/565-9716
Coronado High Library	Mon. @ 10: a.m.	9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13 1/10, 2/14, 3/9, 4/13, 5/11	Gina Villalva	834-2476/587-6458
El Paso High Counseling Center	Wed. @ 10:00 a.m.	9/8, 10/13, 11/10, 12/8 1/12, 2/9, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12	Pat Smelser	496-8300/532-2008
Franklin High Cafeteria Lounge	Wed. @ 10 a.m.	9/15, 10/20, 11/17, 12/15 1/19, 2/15, 3/16, 4/20, 5/18	Rita Aguillera	832-6600/587-4094
Irvin High Cafeteria Lounge	Fri. @ 9:00 a.m.	9/3, 10/1, 11/5, 2/15 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6	John Marestein	587-3500/757-6450
Jefferson High Room 231	Fri. @ 10:30 a.m.	9/3, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6	Aurora Martinez	496-8010/532-2033

YSLETA ISD

Bel Air High Counselor's Rm.	Thur. @ 8:00 a.m.	9/16, 10/21, 11/18, 12/16 1/20, 2/17, 3/24, 4/21, 5/19	Terry Randall	434-2042/434-2174
Del Valle High Library	Thurs. @ 9:00 a.m.	9/2, 10/7, 11/4, 12/2 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5	Martha Campos	434-3180/858-1427
Eastwood High Room 209	Wed. @ 1:00 p.m.	9/22, 10/27, 11/24, 12/15 1/26, 2/23, 3/30, 4/27, 5/25	Rita Montoya	434-4291/598-8014
Hanks High Teachers' Conference Rm.	Tue. @ 9:00 a.m.	9/21, 10/19, 11/16, 12/14 1/18, 2/15, 3/22, 4/19, 5/18	Brenda Trejo	434-5188/598-4621
Parkland High Asst. Principal's Conference	Tue. @ 9:00 a.m.	9/7, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7 1/11, 2/1, 3/1, 4/4, 5/2	Margarita Hernandez	434-6048/434-6291
Riverside High (locations rotate) Library	Tue. @ 10:30 a.m.	9/4, 10/12, 11/9, 12/14 1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/12, 5/10	Ofelia Gonzalez	434-7018/779-6983
Ysleta High Room 120	Wed. @ 8:30 a.m.	9/1, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1 1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6, 5/4	Liz Hernandez	434-8020/434-8026

SOCORRO ISD

Americas/Montwood High Counselor's room	Wed. @ 2:00 p.m.	8/4, 9/1, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1 1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 4/6, 5/4	Betsabe Dobbine	937-2840/855-6898
Socorro High Library Classroom	Thur. @ 1:00 p.m.	9/2, 10/7, 11/14, 12/2 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5	Arlene Lira	937-2000/859-0206

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2005

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